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## **CLAIMS**

- A method for processing user resources, comprising the steps of:
  receiving the said user resources on a user multi-platform computer system;
  monitoring the workflow;
  automatically analyzing the processing of said resources to gather information,
  measure the results and respond to the workflow; and
  outputting decision—support data.
- A method according to claim 1, and further comprising producing real-time workflow processing screens.
  - 3. A method according to claim 1, wherein the information gathered is for the purpose of labor studies.
  - 4. A method according to claim 1, wherein the information gathered is for the purpose of operation research.
- A method according to claim 1, wherein the said gathering of information,
  measuring of the results and responding to the workflow utilizes tools available within the said user system.
  - 6. A method according to claim 1, wherein the said gathering of information, measuring of the results and responding to the workflow permits the implementation of analysis add-on packages and interfaces.
    - 7. A method according to claim 1, wherein the said results include workflow records.
- 8. A method according to claim 1, wherein the said results include processed displays.

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- 9. A method according to claim 1, wherein the said method is integratable with the said user system.
- 10. Apparatus for processing user resources residing on a multi-platform system, 5 which product comprises:
  - a system server to provide access to the required information;
  - a system database for the storage of the said information required for the said system;
- a system administrator to edit information required for the operation of the said system; and
  - a system consultant for advanced analysis of historical data.
  - 11. Apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the said database interfaces with QPI.
  - 12. Apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the said edited information comprises workflow parameters.
- 13. Apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the said edited information comprises identification of users.
  - 14. Apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the said edited information comprises security data.
- 25 15. Apparatus according to claim 10, and further comprising a system supervisor for producing real-time workflow monitoring screens.
  - 16. Apparatus according to claim 10, and further comprising a system reactor for defining and activating alert and response rules.

17. Apparatus according to claim 10, and further comprising a system executive for creating and distributing analysis reports.

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